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SUBJECT: DEATH OF ARTHUR HOLLIS CLAPPER IN YOKOSUKA, JAPAN

1. IT IS WITH PROFOUND REGRET THAT I MUST INFORM YOU OF THE DEATH OF YOUR RELATIVE, ARTHUR HOLLIS CLAPPER, DIED ON SEPTEMBER 18, 1976 AT YOKOSUKA, JAPAN DUE TO UNKNOWN CAUSE.
2. UNITED STATES NAVAL HOSPITAL, YOKOSUKA WILL APPRECIATE AUTHORIZATION TO CONDUCT AUTOPSY. PLEASE ADVISE. WE PRESUME YOU ARE NEXT OF KIN. WOULD APPRECIATE NAMES AND ADDRESSES OF ANY OTHER RELATIVES.
3. YOUR RELATIVE (BORN FEBRUARY 7, 1906 IN COFFEYVILLE, KANSAS) HAS BEEN IDENTIFIED BY HIS FRIENDS MR. JOHN ROSS AND MS. SUMIE MINAMI.
4. MS. SUMIE MINAMI OF 135 NEGISHI-CHO 2-CHOME, YOKOSUKA CITY HAS INDICATED DESIRE TO TAKE CARE OF DISPOSITION OF REMAINS IF AUTHORIZED BY YOU. MS. MINAMI IS PRESENTLY IN CUSTODY OF CLAPPER'S ESTATE AND IS ALSO WILLING TO DISPOSE THE ESTATE UPON RECEIPT OF YOUR AUTHORIZATION IN WRITING.
5. THE EMBASSY WILL TAKE CHARGE OF HIS PERSONAL UNCLASSIFIED

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EFFECTS AND WILL WRITE TO YOU CONCERNING THEIR

DISPOSITION.

6. REGRETFULLY, I MUST DRAW YOUR ATTENTION TO THE NEED TO MAKE URGENT ARRANGEMENTS. WE WOULD LIKE TO KNOW AS SOON AS POSSIBLE WHETHER OR NOT YOU WISH TO HAVE YOUR RELATIVE'S REMAINS RETURNED TO THE UNITED STATES. IF SO, PREPARATION AND AIR SHIPMENT OF REMAINS TO WEST COAST BY AIR WOULD COST \$1,600.00. IF LOCAL BURIAL IS DESIRED, THE COST IS \$850.00. THE COST OF CREMATION AND LOCAL BURIAL AT YOKOHAMA, JAPAN \$750.00. THE COST OF CREMATION AND AIR SHIPMENT TO U.S. \$600.00. ALL OF THESE COSTS ARE APPROXIMATE.

7. AFTER YOU HAVE MADE YOUR DECISION, PLEASE TAKE THE FOLLOWING ACTIONS:

(A) TELEGRAPH INSTRUCTIONS PROMPTLY AND DIRECTLY TO AMERICAN EMBASSY, TOKYO, JAPAN AND INCLUDE THE NAME OF THE DECREASED IN YOUR MESSAGE. STATE WHETHER REQUIRED FUNDS ARE BEING TELEGRAPHED AND BY WHAT MEANS. INCLUDE NAME AND ADDRESS OF U.S. FUNERAL HOME YOU SELECT IF SHIPMENT IS DESIRED.

(B) TELEGRAPH REQUIRED FUNDS SEPARATELY AND PROMPTLY THROUGH BANK OF AMERICA, TOKYO, JAPAN PAYABLE TO AMERICAN EMBASSY, CONSULAR SECTION.

(C) IF YOU ARE HAVING THE REMAINS SHIPPED TO THE UNITED STATES, YOU MAY WISH TO HAVE THE U.S. FUNERAL HOME YOU SELECT MAKE THESE ARRANGEMENTS FOR YOU.

8. UPON RECEIPT OF THE REQUIRED FUNDS YOUR INSTRUCTIONS WILL BE CARRIED OUT AS PROMPTLY AS CIRCUMSTANCES PERMIT. WE ESTIMATE APPROXIMATELY THREE DAYS WILL BE REQUIRED FOLLOWING RECEIPT OF FUNDS TO CARRY OUT YOUR INSTRUCTIONS IF REMAINS ARE UNCLASSIFIED

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TO BE SHIPPED. UPON COMPLETION OF ALL FORMALITIES, A FOREIGN SERVICE REPORT OF DEATH PREPARED BY THIS OFFICE WILL BE FORWARDED TO YOU.

9. IF NECESSARY, YOU MAY CONTACT THE CONSULAR SECTION OF THIS POST BY PHONING 03-583-7141 IN TOKYO, JAPAN.

10. BE ASSURED OF MY DEEPEST SYMPATHY IN YOUR
BEREAVEMENT. AMEMBASSY, TOKYO, JAPAN.
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